

**IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE**

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Title: Process for the production of monodisperse SiO<sub>2</sub> particles

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.